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The undersigned has been advised that there was no advertising or offers for sale of 'Tikvio' to the American public more than one year before the January 4, 2001 filing date of the present application. Further, the undersigned has now been advised that commercial sales of the variety did not occur more than one year before the filing date of the present application. The earlier averment that commercial sales of 'Tikvio' took place in 1998 was made in error. Instead, those distributions were not public and were for testing and trialing purposes only.

In view of the above, the scant information available in the publication of 'Tikvio' would not have enabled one of ordinary skill in the art to reproduce the claimed plant. Thus, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is wholly inappropriate in this instance.

## **CONCLUSION**

In light of the foregoing, allowance of the claim is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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